To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2633 without my signature.

I am concerned that this bill, by establishing new requirements regarding the compensation, evaluation, and supervision of personnel directors, would result in significant reimbursable state mandated costs. Further, these provisions do not need to be codified since nothing in current law prevents a school district or community college district personnel commission from performing the specified activities.

However, I am supportive of the provision in the bill that address the need for large school districts to have additional flexibility from merit hiring rules in order to hire staff that possess special qualifications necessary for certain positions. Therefore, I am willing to consider a bill in the next session that would extend the sunset date of the flexibility provisions included in this measure, but that does not create unnecessary costs.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger